

Eric Golnick
Chief Executive Officer
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Eric co-founded Forge Health after his own experience overcoming trauma and alcohol misuse. Since 2016, he has opened multiple outpatient treatment facilities in multiple states specifically for Veterans, First Responders and their families. He secured a national level partnership with the Veterans Administration, the first of its kind, in 2018. He currently sits in multiple state Governor Challenge to Prevent Suicide working groups as well as board leadership positions on multiple Veteran nonprofit organizations.

Eric graduated with honors from the University of Miami in 2009. He attended U.S. Navy Officer Candidate School shortly after and was commissioned as a Naval Officer. He was involved in multiple operations and exercises throughout Asia including a position with Commander of U.S. Naval forces in Japan. In this position, Eric helped plan and conduct emergency disaster relief operations during the 2011 earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear meltdown at the Fukushima nuclear power plant.

After finishing his time in the Navy, Eric worked as a senior foreign policy analyst and worked directly with the President's National Security Council, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the U.S. Congress on many topics regarding U.S. foreign policy.